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Hindenburg.

1. Prior to September 1950, the former Polizei Kaserne at the intersection of ul. Roosevelta, formerly Kampfbahn Allee, and former Hermann Stehrstrasse in Hindenbourg (Q 51/Y 47) was occupied by a Polish unit of about 200 very young soldiers who were armed with small arms only. Some trucks were seen in the barracks installation.
2. About 1,000 men of the Services to Poland were quartered in a compound on the east side of the road to Makoszczy (Q 51/Y 47) south of Hindenburg and about 600 men were quartered in 10 low barracks buildings in the garden of the former Schuetzenhaus just west of the junction of ul. Roosevelta and the railroad line from the Hindenburg south railroad station to Ochringen. These men were sent to work in the Dellbrueck pits and other pits.
3. The Polish Security Police (UB) headquarters of the county of Hindenburg moved into a building on the west side of ul. 3 Maja, formerly Dorotheenstrasse, in the spring of 1950. This building also housed the Citizen's Militia (MO) headquarters of the county. *

Kreuzburg.

4. Prior to August 1950, the former Dragoner Kaserne, which was located on the north side of Lardsbergerstrasse in the eastern sector of Kreuzburg and consisted of 1 five-story barracks building, 3 or 4 small buildings and 2 stables, each about 120 meters long, with an open riding course, was occupied by a Polish unit. The soldiers wore red epaulets and visor-type caps with a red band and the Polish eagle. They were armed only with pistols and rifles. Some trucks and horse-drawn

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vehicles were parked in the billeting area. Four units of 80 to 100 men each wearing the same uniform as the soldiers in the Dragoner Kaserne were seen on review in the summer of 1950. The training area was south of Landsbergerstrasse southeast of the barracks installation.

Leobschuetz.

5. Prior to May 1950, the barracks installation on the northwest edge of Leobschuetz (P 51/J 12) and on the south side of the road to Schmeisdorf (P 51/J 12) was occupied by a Polish WOP (Border Guard Corps) unit of about 100 men. A large section of the installation seemed to be vacated. Soldiers wore caps with a green band and were armed only with small arms. Five or six horse-drawn vehicles were seen with the unit when it marched out of the installation. No other soldiers than those with caps having a green band were seen in the streets of Leobschuetz. **
6. Prior to May 1950, the former German Air Force ammunition depot on the north side of the road to the Wokker (P 51/J 11) railroad station was still completely destroyed. No reconditioning was observed in progress there.

Ratibor.

7. Prior to May 1950, a Polish unit of 300 to 400 men was quartered in an old barracks installation in the southwestern sector of the city center of Ratibor (P 51/X 95). The installation, which, prior to World War II, had been occupied by police units, consisted of 7 or 8 yellow two-story buildings facing the street and was located some hundred meters northwest of a cemetery on the east bank of Muehlgraben and on the south side of a road to Altendorf. The soldiers seen there wore the uniform of the Polish Army with a brown belt and silver buttons showing the Polish eagle. The caps had black lacquer visors and the Polish eagle was on the broad red band. The only weapons seen there were pistols, rifles and submachine guns. Some trucks were seen in the billeting area.

- 25X1A * [] Comment. The information on Polish troops in Hindenburg confirms several previous reports prior to March 1951. [] 25X1A
- 25X1A ** [] Comment. Probably a previously reported barracks installation on ul. Boleslaw Chrobrego which, in June 1951, quartered a labor battalion engaged in the construction of border fortifications. [] 25X1
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